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For: METHOD, COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT AND SYSTEM FOR RENDERING SOFT SHADOWS IN A FRAME REPRESENTING A 3D-SCENE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This paper is filed in the above-identified application to correct the dependency of several dependent claims. Applicant requests entry of this amendment prior to substantive examination of the application. Entry of the present preliminary amendment is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

Please rewrite claims ~~4~~, ~~5~~, ~~8~~, ~~14~~, ~~15~~, ~~18~~ and ~~22~~ to read as follows: